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DETAILED ACTION

1. The reply brief filed 7/24/2006 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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